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EDITORIAL

One of the outstanding features of any organisation operated by volun-tary workers is that quality we know as loyalty.

In the Wireless Institute of Australia most of our honorary voluntary helpers are loyal in their atten-tion to duty and it is refreshing to see how they carry on each year in the various departments in which they serve the general membership.

It is not uncommon and it is cer-tainly refreshing to find men of out-standing ability in their technical, administrative or business activities giving such costly, loyal and continuous service over a period of many years in Institute affairs. Sometimes we hear of members criticising certain executive officers

of Divisions, Federal Council, or Federal Executive with the remark: "Oh he has been in the job too long." Although such comments are con-sidered to be fair and reasonable, especially by those who set themselves up as critics, it would only be sensible to pause a while and ask whether this long service does not reveal and demonstrate the lovalty

of the person under attack.

Most organisations where honorary workers spend their time and exert their talents for the good of the general membership, have cer-tain officers who, through long years of service, possess very valuable knowledge and experience which is essential to the constitutional opera-

tion of the society which they serve. Of course the successful society is one whose members, by constitution-

al means, see to it that on each of their executive groups some new-blood is injected from time to time. but nevertheless a stabilising effect can only be obtained when the so-ciety retains amongst its courcillors a fairly large proportion of "elder statesmen" whose memory of past experiences are used to stabilise the

actions of the future. We have heard it said that "so and so" has been in the job too get rid of him before we can replace him with someone of equal exper-ience in his specialist field and in

particular find his replacement by one of comparable loyalty and mature judgment. Members of the Wireless Institute of Australia have ample constitu-tional means to rid themselves of any individual who is inefficient or who uses his position for financial gain, but let us remember that most

honorary officers serve for the "love of the game" or because they believe in Ham Radio as a national asset and not because they desire personal elevation or public acclaim.

The matter of course rests with each Divisional member; if your Council, Federal Councillor, or Fed-

eral Executive is disloyal, inefficient, eral Executive is disloyal, inefficient, or lacking in experience or business acumen the fault is yours, you can alter the position by appropriate action at meetings, but keep in mind the vital question—"Will the new man be loyal over the years?"—before you change the officer in question.

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Conversion of the AT5 for 80-40-20-15-10 Metres

BY D. C. HABERECHT.* VK2RS

WITH an apparant never-ending supply of these particular transmitters, and at a price which I tell sure would make the original manufacturers shudder, the question arose whether it is possible to convert them to Amateur use. In their original them to Amateur use. In their original state they do quite a reasonable job on 80 and 40 metres, however the fact that above this, doubling in the p.a. is employed, it was considered that some considerable modification would be desirable to obtain better efficiency, a crowded bands was deemed necessary.

It was decided that the following features would be included:

1. Simple conversion, i.e. without a complete re-build. 2. Straight through operation on all bands up to and including 10

metres. 3. A more suitable and more efficient A more suitable and p.a. tank circuit.
 Some degree of harmonic atte uation in an effort fo reduce the

possibility of t.v.i., etc.

If all these features are to be in-cluded it would appear that it would need some really exhaustive modifica-tions, however this is not the case, the complete job can be done in a couple of evenings, with only a few additional components required.

One point which I feel should be made known at this point, it is assumed that the l.f. portion is no longer required. Some of the components used in this section are removed, whilst others are re-used in the modifications.

CONVERSION Stage 1-The V.F.O.

Stage 1—The VF.O.
Locate the 4-3 kin collistor coil.
Locate the 4-3 kin coll bridge or
short out four turns. Remove the trinmer across the coil, adjust the iron-core
so that 7.2 Mc. is tuned with the tuning
condenser wide open. If this is till not
short out another turn. Some adjustment may here be necessary depending
on the model. Incidentally, this coil is
readly accessible as will be seen when all covers including the base plate are

These modifications do not appear to effect the stability of the circuit. Long term tests by the author have proved the stability to be well within the Amateur's requirements.

Stage 2-First Buffer-Doubler

Remove all wiring from the socket of the 6V6 modulator stage with the ex-ception of the filament, cathode and wiring to pin 6. This stage is then modified by the following method to become a buffer-doubler.

(1) Remove the plate connection from the 807 buffer stage and re-confrom the 807 buffer stage and re-con-nect to the plate pin of the 6V6.

(2) Connect the screen to the screen supply of the 807 buffer, at the same time parallel a 40K resistor across the 807 screen dropping resistor.

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(3) Remove the 50 ohm grid stopper from the 807 grid; extend the pigtail and bring across to the 6V6 grid pin. (4) Connect to ground the cold end of the original cathode by-pass con-denser and resistor. These you will find mounted on the resistor strip above

the valve sockets. This then completes this stage. It will be seen that in effect all we have done is transferred the original 807 buffer circuit to the new 6V6 stage.

Stage 3-Second Buffer-Doubler

(1) Connect a 100 pF. condenser from the plate of the 6V6 buffer to the grid of the 807, at the same time connect a

or the 807, at the same time connect a 40K resistor from grid to ground. (2) Remove all wiring from the l.f. oscillator tuning condenser, not forget-ting three small condensers attached to the underneath side of the double gang

(this is no longer required). The first tap position (from rear) then becomes the 80 metre switch point and is returned to the first switch position. On the last switch point or 10 metre position the whole of the large coll is switched out of circuit and the 5-turn coll previously constructed is wired to this position. On 15 metres approximately provided the position. Gain BO7's mately one turn of the large coil is

Fig. 1 .- 807 Buffer All-Band Circuit.

condenser. These are a little difficult to remove, due to their inaccessibility. (3) Construct the all-band coil (described in Fig. 1) and connect as shown. It is possible to mount this coil vertically between the 676 buffer and 807, keeping the leads to the tuning condenser as short as possible.

Stage 4-Final (1) Remove p.a. tank coil and the two block condensers immediately accessible when the coil is removed.

(2) Remove all plate circuit wiring with the exception of the copper plate can leads. (3) Construct the p.a. r.f. choke (Fig. Attach this to the bolt carrying the

plate leads.
(4) Connect a 1,000 pF. 1 kv. condenser from the plate to the p.a. tuning

(5) From the lower end of the r.f. choke connect a 1,000 pF. by-pass condenser (1 kv. rating) to ground. From this point also connect a 25K 10 watt resistor to the screens of the 807s, at resistor to the screens of the 80's, at the same time remove the 0.1 µF. screen by-pass condensers and replace with 1,000 pF. condensers. Do not remove the screen stopping resistors. (6) Remove screen circuit wiring to the on/off switch located near the

aerial terminal.

added; the switch point for 15 metres then will be found at one turn from the front end of the coil. The 20 metre switch position is a further 4 turns from the 15 metre point. The 40 metre point will be found near to mid-way between the 80 and 20 metre points.

(7) Return cathode bias resistors to ground through a keying jack if this has not already been done.

from plate to the tuning condenser is connected. The other end of the small coil is allowed to remain free until such time as the p.a. coil has been

Modifications to P.A. Coil.-From the rear end of this coil remove all turns up to the first tap position, remove all

(this is no longer required). The first

modified and re-fitted.

(8) Construct a 5-turn coil from 14 (8) Construct a 5-turn coil from 14 or heavier gauge copper wire, diameter of 1" and spaced to approximately 2" overall. Attach this to the rear end of the tuning condenser, preferably at the point where the 1,000 pF. condenser

It is best to leave the final location of the various positions until the coil has been re-fitted and you are ready to test the set. For the best results the



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loaded resonance points should occur at the following capacities: 80 metres, maximum capacity; 40 metres, three-quarters capacity; 20 metres, approxi-mately half capacity; 15 metres, quarter capacity; 10 metres, very nearly minimum capacity.

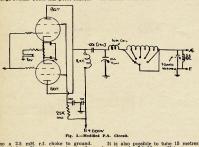
Stage 5

Remove the l.f. p.a. section (four screws beneath the p.a. tuning con-denser). Mount in this compartment a three-gang b.c. type tuning condenser with all sections paralleled. Mount in such a position that one of the holes previously taken up by the l.f. controls can be used. Connect this condenser to the moving arm of the p.a. band change switch. From this point connect

tune to 10.2 Mc. approximately only. It will in nearly all instances after the modifications have been effected, be found to tune to the desired range with a small overlap, no doubt the lower in-put capacitance of the 6V6 does help nere). Tune the second buffer to 21

here). Tune the second buller to 21 Mc. and adjust the p.a. and loading.

10 Metres: Adjust the v.f.o. to 7 Mc. on the modified 4-5 Mc. range, tune first buffer to 14 Mc. and second buffer to 22 Mc. Adjust the condition of the 28 Mc. Adjust the p.a. and loading.
Adequate drive for all bands with
the exception of 10 metres should be available with 350 volts on the 807 buffer stage. However, it will be necessary to increase the plate supply voltage to 450 volts to gain sufficient for 10 metres with a little in reserve.



also a 2.5 mH. r.f. choke to ground. This choke will prevent arcing in the aerial loading condenser under modu-lated conditions. Also connect the aerial terminal to the moving arm of the switch.

TUNING PROCEDURE

80 Metres: Adjust the v.f.o. (3.5 Mc. range), first buffer broadly tuned with the plate circuit switched to the low end of the 10 Mc. range. Tune second buffer to 3.5 Mc. (near maximum cap-acity of all-band tuning condenser). Adjust pi-coupled p.a. to resonance and vary the aerial loading condenser until the desired coupling is obtained.

If you are not familiar with the now popular pi-coupler and the methods of adjustment, it would be advisable to refer to one of the many articles to be found on this particular circuit and familiarise yourself on the way it

works, etc. works, etc.

40 Metres: Adjust the v.f.o. (3.5 Mc. range), first buffer as for 80 metres, tune second buffer to 7 Mc. (near minimum capacity of all-band tuning condenses), and edited to a minimum capacity of all-band tuning condenses.

denser), and adjust p.a. and loading. 20 Metres: Adjust the v.f.o. (3.5 Mc. range), first buffer tune to 7 Mc., tune second buffer to 14 Mc., and adjust p.a.

and loading.

15 Metres: Adjust the v.f.o. (3.5 Mc. range), first buffer tune to 10.5 Mc. (aithough originally this circuit would

by using the 7.0 Mc. oscillator range, triple in the first buffer, and straight through in the second buffer. This will permit more output or drive to the p.a. if this should be required.

The overall drive available with no voltage on the p.a.: 80 and 40 metres, over full scale; 20 metres, 12 Ma.; 15 metres, 9 Ma.; 10 metres (450 volts on 807 buffer), 7 Ma. or better. It is hoped that this article may be

of help to those who would like to convert an otherwise limited piece of equipment into a comparatively efficient All-Band Transmitter entirely suitable for Amateur use, most particularly for those who desire a compact transmitter. The writer would be pleased to hear

from anyone who may undertake this conversion and, of course, anyone who may have further suggestions.



VALVE DATA

5AS4

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The Radiotron 5AS4 is a full-wave vacuum rectifier of the filamentary cathode type, intended for use in power supplies of television and radio receiving equipment having high direct current requirements.

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Base: Octal. Socket connections: Pin 1-No connection.

4-Plate N	
6-Plate N	
8-Filamer	

Electrical Data (tentative) Filament Voltage 5.0 volts Filament Current 3.0 amps.

FULL-WAVE RECTIFIER Maximum Ratings:

Peak inverse plate voltage ..

1550 max, volts Steady state peak cur-rent per plate 1.0 max. amp. A.C. plate supply volt-

age (r.m.s.) per plate 550 max. volts Transient peak plate current per plate 4.6 max. amp.

Typical Operation Capacitor-Input Filter:

A.C. plate to plate sup-ply voltage (r.m.s.)* 600 900 volts 40 40 µF. Filter input capacitor Total effective plate supply impedance per

plate 21 67 ohms Output current (direct) 300 275 Ma. Output voltage (direct 290 460 volts at filter input) Voltage drop across valve 54 50 volts

Choke-Input Filter:

A.C. plate to plate supply voltage (r.m.s.)* Filter input choke induct-H

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sensitivity is high and a high entirency is achieved. Light gauge solder lugs are provided so that excessive heat in soldering will not be transmitted to the crystal element. When mounted in a microphone cage, it is recommended that the insert be suspended in rubber, to eliminate shock and vibration.

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Modifying the AR7 Receiver

PART ONE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION A communication receiver, based on

the H.R.O. design, this receiver covers from 138 Kc. to 25 Mc. with a break at 410 Kc. to keep clear of the 455 Kc. i.f. channel. Five sets of coils contained in removable coil boxes cover this range. Tuning range ratio for A, B, C and D coil boxes is approximately 3:1 whilst E range covers from 12.5 to 25

The receiver has eight valves, this including a double triode (6C8G), one half operating as a v.t.v.m. for the "S" meter, and the other for the b.f.o. designed around high gain pentodes but the shortage of overseas supplies made necessary to use 6U7Gs, as r.f. and if amplifiers, a 6J8G as converter, and a 6G8G coupled to a 6V6G for the

audio stages. A very good crystal filter in a bal-anced tuned type of phasing network enables signals as close as 200 c.p.s. to be attenuated below nuisance strength when the filter is correctly aligned. (Quite a few sets being sold at present have had the crystal removed from the

small mounting box!)

The input to the first r.f. stage can be used with a balanced transmission line or alternatively one side can be bridged to earth and a single wire attached. The latter arrangement gives the best results for all band coverage

for short wave listening.

Two r.f. stages give a large attenuation of second channel interference which can be a decided nuisance on the 14 Mc. band with the high powered

broadcast stations on the 15 Mc. band. No fancy circuitry is found; all sec-tions follow well tried and trouble-free The noise limiter is what it designs. says and is not a noise suppressor of says and is not a noise suppressor of the lamb type and it reduces noise and signal to a common level. This is done by reducing the screen voltage on the 6G8G—first audio—to a point where saturation occurs on positive peaks and

cut-off on negative peaks.

The power supply enables the set to be operated from the a.c. mains or from a 12 volt accumulator. It is separated from the receiver as is also separated from the receiver as is also the speaker. A pair of 6X5GT valves with plates paralleled ensures a very high degree of regulation, under mains

fluctuation. A study of the circuit will show that a.v.c. is applied to the first audio valve (6G8G) and this is done to achieve a certain amount of muting when there is no signal together with a much more uniform output of the audio signal. The 6V6G is coupled to an output trans-former mounted on the chassis and this

has output windings for the permagspeaker and the phones. Quite a few receivers coming onto the Disposals market are performing very poorly and a common fault seems to lie in the misalignment of the crystal

filter stage. When this is by-passed (leaving only the 1st i.f. and 2nd i.f. stages) the sensitivity of the receiver * 73 Portrush Road, Toorak Gardens, S.A.

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be taken, stage by stage, through
the entire receiver, being shown
what steps should be taken to
make the receiver comply with
present day requirements.
To those who feel that modifications to commercially built

equipment are not justified, this, the first article, should appeal. We warrant you will, eventually, make all the modifications to be described!

BY G. M. BOWEN,* VK5XU

isolates to a degree the b.f.o. input which is fed via a small trimmer condenser to the second diode. It is thus possible to operate with the b.f.o. and a.v.c. on, if an alteration is made in the switching. (See modification.)

Following usual practice a.v.c. is applied to both r.f. and i.f. stages as well as that mentioned already. The converter has no a.v.c. applied for converter has no a.v.c. applied for obvious reasons. A 5,000 ohm potentioneter, in series with a 50,000 ohm bleeder resistor, affords separate manual control for the r.f. and i.f. stages and operates independently of the

The overall sensitivity of the set should be less than 2.5 microvolts input at any frequency for an output of 50 milliwatts measured across a resistance of 100 ohms connected to the "phones" jack.

Front of Receiver

C1 C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8
Trimmer Series T	'rimmer s	Series	Trimmer	Series	Trimmer	Series
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improves remarkably. However, it should be possible to have the filter correctly aligned, but it needs the use of a wobbulator and a c.r.o. to really do the job properly. Even then it takes up to four hours!

The controls are the usual ones found on this type of receiver and they are well labled on an etched stainless steel escutcheon overlaid onto a steel panel. The dial mechanism should be checked The dial mechanism should be enceked to see that it has no play, before attempting any calibrating; the worm gear is spring loaded and although it may be worn, when it is cleaned up, greased with vaseline and the tension on the springs increased, the play should disappear.

The heaters of the valves are operated from a 12 volt winding on the transformer or are switched to the 12 transformer or are switched to the 12 volt d.c. input when operating from battery supply. Hence the series parallel connections to the sockets as follows: The two r.f. valves; the converter and the 1st audio (698G); the two 1.f. valves; the 6V6G and the 6C8G, with a 42 ohm resistor across the heater of the 6V8G to allow 0.45 amp. to the 6V8G heater. Delayed a.v.c. is obtained by rectify-

belayed a.v.c. is obtained by rectiving the signal obtained from the plate of the 2nd i.f. valve and fed to one diode of the 6G8G. This connection reduces the loading on the secondary of the i.f.t., gives a higher voltage and

Adjustments to the coil units are made through the holes in the coil acceptor housing and are marked L1 to L4, C1 to C8 (see diagram). L1-Inductance adjustment on aerial

L2-Inductance adjustment on first r.f.

coil L3-Inductance adjustment on second

r.f. coil. L4-Inductance adjustment on h.f. oscillator coil

-Aerial trimmer. C2-Series trimmer (Coil E only).

C4—Series trimmer (Coil E only).

-2nd r.f. trimmer (mixer input).

C6—Series trimmer (Coil E only). C8-Padder, series condenser on h.f.

oscillator coil for coils A, B, and C. Series trimmer (Coil E only). Coil D uses a fixed padder.

ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

Extreme accuracy is required in the alignment of the i.f. circuits. Slight misalignment of these i.f.t's. will have a marked effect on the sensitivity and selectivity of the receiver. They are permeability tuned with an iron-dust core and there is quite a deal of movecore and there is quite a deal of move-ment either side of resonance, which makes aural checking almost useless. A very stable signal generator or a Bendix BC221 are suitable instruments. (Continued on Page 6)

Modifying the AR7 Receiver (Continued from Page 5)

Remove the grid cap from the converter valve and connect the output of the signal generator through a 500 pF. and return the grid to earth through a 100k resistor. Connect the grounded side of the signal generator lead to the receiver chassis. Short out the oscillator gang to stop heterochness the content of the content

Having checked to see that the crystal is still in the receiver—remove the small cover of the shielded section near the right hand side of the front panel set the receiver controls as follows:

set the receiver controls as follows: Crystal switch to IN; selectivity coduttol on zero; phasing condenser to centre scale; a.v.c. switch to a.v.c position; tone control on 10; r.f. gain on 8; noise limiter on 10; audio on 6; b.f.o. condenser to centre. Set the "S" meter adjustment to a suitable value that can

be read easily.

Vary the frequency of the signal
generator until a maximum reading is
obtained in the "S" meter, indicating
that the frequency is exactly that of
the crystal. Leave the signal generator alone and switch out the crystal

Adjust the iron cores; those above chassis level are grid circuits, below the plate circuits. Make quite sure that all movement is positive and that there are no loose slugs, etc. Leave L5A, the crystal filter transformer grid circuit, well alone for the present (this appears

beneath the chassis and is the rearest screw to the chassis side). Align the exception of the control of the control of the converter to the second detector. To check whether the stal filter is aligned swing the signal generator plus aligned swing the signal generator plus note whether the reduction in signal strength reading in the 'S' meter falls attength reading in the 'S' meter falls to the control of the signal strength reading in the 'S' meter falls to the signal of the signal of the signal to the signal of the signal of the signal Leave it alone for another occasion!

Now to the r.f. ampliffers and hr. cocillator. If there is any reason to doubt the mechanical construction of doubt from the construction of them from Disposals there is every reason), remove the coll shelds from the structure of the s

With coils A, B, C and D the alignment procedure is the usual low frequency inductance and high low frequency inductance and high low freton and the state of the country of the low free country inductance adjustment since the series condenser will perform the necessary hand spreading.

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Since Coil A covers a band which very few Amateurs are interested in, this article will deal with the conversion of this unit to operate from 25 to 35 Mc.

Type 3 Mark II. Receiver

Adding A.V.C. and Audio Volume Control

BY G. M. BOWEN,* VK5XU

THOSE of us who are fortunate enough to own one of these reenough to own one of these reititle sets they are for mobile work as
well as for standby shack receivers.
However, they were never designed to
a.vc. was not incorporated. This fact,
for Amateur work, is likely to cause the
cost of one's eardrums when tuning
trol on maximum and land on an S94signal.

Having had this happen to me a few times, the circuit was studied for an easy way to add a.v.c. It was quickly ascertained that the gain control was not the usual cathode bias type, but used a back-bias system and a 50K potentiometer (VRI). An isolating 470K resistor (RBD) connects this gain control line to the grid circuits of the two if, valves.



C6C is 0.001 uF. condenser and R6C is 150K resistor. Tag No. 2 (right hand strip) is earthed.

Getting the little grey cells to work, it was reasoned that a 2 megohn resistor connected from the bottom end to the control of the control o

Subsequently it was found that a 1 megohm resistor worked better than the 2 megohm one. With the chassis upside down and the control panel away from you, you will see two solder tag strips running at right angles to the front panel. On the left one there are four soldered connections, and on the right, eight connections at the top nearest to you.

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Simply solder the 1 megohm resistor between the two soldering positions as shown in the diagram and a.v.c. is yours.

To really obtain the benefit of a.v.c. the r.f. gain control needs to be at maximum, or nearly so, and hence some form of audio volume control is needed. This modification is not quite so easy, but is still "a piece of cake" as we say! The most important item is a 500K miniature potentiometer and these are now available—mine is a Ducon with a diameter of one inch.

Drill a hole, immediately above the hole. condenser, in the front panel to take the potentiometer, allowing enough clearance for the cover to be replaced clearance for the cover to be replaced to the contral division acreen. Now, with the central division acreen. Now, with a contral division acreen, Now, with the contral division acreen, sow, with the contral should around the second Lf. valve socket. Drill a hole as shown large enough to the potential should be contralled to the contral should be contralled to the contralled to

Lead X solders to the moving arm (centre solder tag) of the pot, and Y to the control circuit arrangement. Disconnect C&C from the solder tag (No. 4 in diagram) and attach to the lead X. Do not forget to earth the braid and the potentiometer in the usual manner.

Now, connect up the receiver and note the vast difference you have succeeded in getting.

A further improvement can be had by diving into the power supply and soldering a 250 ohm 3 watt resistor in parallel across the bias resistor that you see attached to the output sockets. Now that you have ave., it is unnecessary to have such a high value of fixed bias on the valves and the gain on weak signals is very much improved.

Do you need a switch to short out the a.v.c. when receiving c.w.? No! The r.f. gain control (marked volume on the knob) is backed off until the bias is high enough on the valves to stop the action of the a.v.c. and the audio volume control is then adjusted for comfortable level.

If you need proof that the a.v.c. is working turn the meter switch (on the tx of course) into position 1 and note how the receiver voltage rises and falls with the signal strength.

Don't be worried by the fact that the 500K potentiometer is in parallel with the detector diode load R1D (a 1 megohm resistor) for I found by experimenting with isolating condensers that we have a measurable difference with the solution of the solution o

A SIMPLE CAPACITY BRIDGE FOR THE BLIND

BY A. W. DUFFIELD, ZL2DT

WITH a keen interest in Radio, such as it was in my school days, I suppose that it is only natural that I would become interested in Ham that I would become interested in Than Radio. I passed the necessary examina-tion and was issued with the call ZL2DU. After about five years' activity other interests were developed and this call was allowed to lapse and the sta-

tion was dismantled.

At the re-opening of the Amateur bands in 1945 I again became interested bands in 1945 I again became interested and was issued with the present call of ZL2DT. However, six months later I had the misfortune to lose most of my sight. At this time I was living at Foxton Beach, but after coming out of hospital, I came back to Palmerston North to live with my parents.

At first, time hung heavy on my hands, but as my Ham gear began to drift back from the beach, I found a new interest in Radio.

new interest in Radio.

It was quickly realised that new
methods of construction would have to
be evolved, particularly in soldering by
touch. During this period considerable touch. During this period considerable swearing ability was also developed. For some time a standard type of electrons of the standard type of electrons was bought and better and less painful soldering was done. No restrictions were placed on my building of equipment except that all live spots had to be completely shielded against and to be completely shielded against accidental contact

accidental contact.

My remaining sight was slowly deteriorating and in about three years
my meters were useless to me even
with the magnifying glass. My thoughts
turned towards a transmitter which
would not need tuning up every time
I wanted to change bands. A broadbanded switched exciter was built to
give output on 3,5,14 and 28 Mc. This unit worked into separate buffers and * Reprinted from "Break-In." December, 1956

worked quite well, it was irksome that I had to get someone to check the meter readings

I replaced the commercially made frequency meter with the home-made touch-reading one which has already been described in "Break-In." When information was received via the Braille Technical Press, on auditory meters, a multi-tester of this type was built.

Some trouble was experienced in Some trouble was experienced in obtaining the necessary accurate resistors for this job, but, with the co-operation of local Amsteurs and Deals of the principle is simple, the results are amazing. This unit gave voltage readings up to 1,000 at 20,000 ohms per volt. Current readings are from 1 amp, down to a tenth micro-amp. Resistance readings are from 1 ohm to 10 mgs. There are eight ranges to each use. Very precise measurements are possible and the accuracy is mainly governed by the accuracy of the resistors used in its construction. This instrument, together with a simple capacity bridge, solved my colour-code problems. An show continuity the several thousand megs, is also a useful piece of gear.

During the past eight years, prac-tically all the alterations to the rig have been confined to the r.f. section and the ease of change from band to band has been the major consideration. About two years ago work was started on the present rig. The exciter unit measures 6 x 6 x 10 inches and uses four 12A6s and a 1625. At the turn of iour 12Aus and a 1625. At the turn of a switch it will give output on any of its five bands. This unit also houses an auditory meter which reads the voltages of the five power supplies to-gether with grid and plate currents of the larger tubes.

The final uses a pair of 24Gs. The final tank condenser is the result of a

lot of thought and work. It comprises lot of thought and work. It comprises five rotors and ten stators and two neutralising condensers built around a five position two pole band selection switch. Each pair of stators has its own coll and the condensers are set and left tuned to the part of the band most used.

This rig is modulated by a pair of 1625s in Class AB2. A 3-position switch gives c.w., phone and tune-up positions.



CAPACITY BRIDGE

As I was having trouble sorting out As I was having trouble sorting out condensers, my thoughs turned toward a meter which would give me some assurance that I had picked out the right one for the job. The following unit was built, though it has now been replaced by a combined capacity inductance bridge.

ductance bridge.

The reading is taken with a pair of headphones when a null is produced by the balancing of the bridge. It is powered from a pair of torch cells driving a ZC1 buzzer.

driving a ZC1 buzer.

As standards, three ordinary "runof-the-mill" condensers were used.
When checking electrolytics, the variable resistance R2 in series with the
standards is set to give the best null
and is left in the minimum position at
other times. The balancing potentiometer should be a linear wire wound
job and the resistance value is not critical.

The highest output tap on the buzzer was used. The signal in the phones in out of balance condition on the two high capacity ranges is very high, and it would be a good idea to make the range switch a double pole affair so that a lower tapping could be used or resistances switched into the circuit on these ranges.

The unit was built into a box 5 x The unit was built into a box 5 x $2\pm$ inches with the balancing pot near the centre with about a 3 inch diameter scale. When calibrating the instrument, values equal to the standard condensers will fail close to the centre of each scale, but the stray capacity will probably shift the lowest range somewhat.

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22B.—G. Jenkins (St.). Transferring to Vic.
31N.—E. W. Martin.
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3AKM.—G. W. P. Holman.
3AKM.—A. K. McLennan.
3AKM.—A. K. McLennan.
22BO.—E. E. V. Crewe. Now VK2ZBO.

ZAKM—A. K. McLennan.
ZAND—N. T. Buchanan.
ZBO—R. E. V. Crewe. Now VK2ZBO.
Queensland
4GP—D. A. Crowley. Now VK2LJ.
4SK—S. S. St. George. Now VK2AUS.
South Australia

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VK.— New South Wales
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SS.4. Arsaud.

SS.4. I. S. H. Arsaud.

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Queensland
4RP—Air Training Corps, R.A.A.F., Perry Park,
Brisbane.
4ZDR—D. W. Rickard, Meyer St., Southport.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS VK- New South Wales 2ML-R. M. Ellison, The Grange, Kings Rd.,

SML—R. M. Rillson, The Grange, Kings Rd.

MP—M. E. Pierfer, 20 Cox Sit, Window,

SMP—M. E. Pierfer, 20 Cox Sit, Window,

SMP—M. E. Pierfer, 20 Cox Sit, Window,

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SAN—M. A. M. Single, Novers.

AQC. B. A. A. A. Single, Novers.

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New South Wales

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2TC—L. G. England.
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Albino, 31 Glenview St.,
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The station, which will operate on telephony in the 14 Mc, hand will use the station.

The station, which will operate on telephony in the 14 Mc. band, will use the call sign VK55E (that of Mr. F. A. Eastick, of Alice Springs). Operators will be VKs 5AE, 5EW and 5TL. As 6th May is a local holiday (North-

As 6th May is a local holiday (Northern Territory only) it is intended that the station shall be staffed during the afternoon and evening; the show being a one-day fixture.

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The resonant frequency of each unit is approximately 700 Mc.
Base: 7 pin miniature.

Socket connections: Pin 1—Cathode of Diode No. 1. Pin 2—Plate of Diode No. 2.

Pin 3 -Heater. Pin 4—Heater

-Cathode of Diode No. 2. Pin 5 —Internal Shield. —Plate of Diode No. 1.

Electrical Data Heater Voltage 6.3 volts Heater Current 0.3 amp.

HALF-WAVE RECTIFIER Maximum Ratings:

Peak inverse voltage . 330 max. volts Peak plate current per plate D.C 54 max. Ma. output current per plate 9 max.

Heater-Cathode Voltage Heater negative with respect to cathode 330 max. volts

Heater positive with respect to cathode 330 max, volts Typical Operation: A.C plate voltage per

plate (r.m.s.)
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plate supply impedvolts ohms

D.C. output current per plate Ma.

6A05 BEAM POWER AMPLIFIER

The Radiotron 6AQ5 is a miniature beam power pentode designed primarily for use as the output valve in a.c. operated receivers. Within its maximum ratings the performance of the 6AQ5 is equivalent to that of the larger type 6V6GT.

Base: 7 pin miniature.

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Pin 1—Grid No. 1 Pin 2-Cathode, Grid No. 3.

Pin 3-Heater Pin 4 -Heater.

Pin 5—Plate. Pin 6—Grid No. 2 Pin 7—Grid No. 1

Electrical Data Heater Voltage

6.3 volts 0.45 amp. Heater Current CLASS A1 AMPLIFIER Maximum Ratings:

250 max. volts 250 max. volts Plate dissipation
Grid No. 2 input
Peak Heater-Cathode 12 max. watts 2 max. watts

Voltage: Heater negative with

signal)

respect to cathode 90 max. volts Heater positive with 90 max. volts respect to cathode ..

Typical Operation: volts Plate voltage Grid No. 2 voltage Grid No. 1 voltage volts -12.5 volts Transconductance 4100 µmhos late resistance (approx.) 52000 ohms Plate current (zero sig-Ma.

Grid No. 2 current (zero 4.5 Ma Load Resistance 5000 ohms Power output (max. signal) 4.5 watts Total harmonic distortion Maximum Circuit Values:

Grid No. 1 Circuit Resistance: bias operation 0.1 max. megohm

For cathode bias operation 0.5 max. megohm

C.D.E.N. NEWS Your Federal Co-ordinator had

long and interesting interview with the Director of Commonwealth Civil De-fence, Brigadier Wardell, M.C. During the interview the Director expressed great interest in the Institute's activ-ities and requested full information on all Institute activities together with map showing location and call sign of all members of the C.D.E.N. He also pointed out that in order to make full use of C.D.E.N's. potentialities it was essential for Divisional Co-ordinators to have a complete and up-to-date pic-ture of the operational state and ability equipment.

In order to enable your Divisional Co-orinator to prepare the required information you are requested to immediately send the following informa-

tion to him:

1. Whether you are prepared to serve as full time member of C.D.E.N., that is, take part in all activities.

2. If not able to serve as full member are you prepared to become casual member, that is, make your services and/or equipment available in an

Give details of equipment including power and frequencies covered. (a) fixed, (b) portable, (c) mobile, (e) power supplies.

Provide names of additional opera-tors available in an emergency. Thereafter to keep him informed of

any changes.

A copy of the proposed Authorisation
Card for C.D.E.N. Members was submitted to the Director who promised to
bring it to the attention of the State
who are responsible for bring it to the attention of the State Authorities, who are responsible for implementation of Civil Defence plan, at the appropriate time. Details of the Card will be published when Federal Council has given its approval to the final draft. This we hope will be given following the Federal Convention.

The next Communications Study

The next Communications Study Period will be held at the Common-wealth Civil Defence School at Mount Macedon in May, Apart from Institute Divisional representatives who will be invited by the States, your Federal Coordinator will be present at the personal invitation of the Director to represent Federal Executive of the W.I.A. during

the discussion period.

In order to ensure prompt publication in this column of any emergency activity members are requested to send story direct to Federal Co-ordinator with a copy to Divisional Co-ordinator for his information.

IONOSPHERIC PREDICTION CHART

Owing to circumstances beyond our control we are unable to print any predictions this month.

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RADIOTRON TELEVISION VALVE SERIES

The two most Important requirements of the of amplifier of a IV receiver are high gain and low noise. High gain is necessary to provide good enactifivity and to ensure that at their converter grid the signal is large compared with the noise voltage, Low noise is important since under week signal conditions the noise contributed by the stage may have the same amplitude as that of the signal. In addition the of amplifying valves should have:

 (a) high input resistance to allow the antenna-to-grid matching circuit to step-up the impedance, and thus the voltage, from antenna to grid;

(b) low coupling between input and output circuit, to give both low oscillator radiation and good stability;
(c) suitability for a.c., application, i.e. should be capable of having its gain varied

(c) suitability for a.g.c. application, i.e. should be capable of having its gain varied over a wide range by the a.g.c. voltage with as little disturbance as possible to input impedance or circuit tuning;

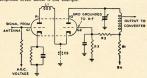
impedance or circuit tuning; (d) small cross-modulation factor to avoid "sound on vision" or "vision on sound" effects and also to avoid interference by a strong adjacent carrier.

To obtain a low noise level it is not desirable to use a pentode because the random division of current between plate and screen results in a substantial increase of noise over that occurring in a triode.

A conventional triode amplifier however has the disadvantage of high coupling between input and output circuits which seriously limits the maximum stable gain and gives poor suppression of oscillator radiation.

or oscillator reditation.

The advantages of both triode and pentode are nevertheless obtainable in the "cascode" sircuit which uses a high performance twin triode in a driven grounded-grid arrangement of which the simplified circuit below is one example.



L1 is series resonant with Cs at frequencies above 220 Mc/s to produce low impedance between plate P1 and earth and hence reduce plate-tegrid feedback.

R1, R2 and R3 are adjusted to provide appropriate variation in bias on G2 as signal input and a.g.c. to G1 vary. Cs is the stray capacity between cathode and earth.

The overall gain obtained in such a circuit is higher than that of a pentode, particularly at 200 Mc/s and of the TV band because amplification is obtained from the two series-connected triodes and it is accompanied by the characteristically low noise of the triode day, can drop series of the triode of the particular of the triode in plate voltage rises, this increasing the bias a applied to the gaid of the fart triode is plate voltage rises, this increasing the bias applied to the gaid of the fart triode is plate voltage rises, this increasing the bias on the second grid is connected, increases the bias on the second risods. The overall effect of the a.g., voltage therefore is to make the cut-off distracteristic of the lat triode more remote and to outsto most control from the Tad triode than spring a month and effective a.g.c. action and freedom from consendulation affects. The circuit also allows very little acciliance of the Saddorno 6007A has been designed for use in accordant circuits such as fast described.

The Rediotron 6807A has been designed for use in cascode circuits such as that described and has special shielding to produce low capacitive coupling between each half of the valve which this circuit requires. The valve also has a high ratio of gm to input-plus-output capacitance and to plate current, both of which are required for high gain and low noise.

† For further information on the 6BQ7A and other Radiotron Television Valves consult the Radiotron TV1 Booklet. Additional copies are available free and post free on request.



6BQ7A

SOCKET CONNECTIONS



(bottom view)

Pin 1 — Plate of Unit No. 2. Pin 2 — Grid of Unit No. 2. Pin 3 — Cathode of Unit No. 2.

Pin 4 — Heater. Pin 5 — Heater.

Pin 6 — Plate of Unit No. 1. Pin 7 — Grid of Unit No. 1. Pin 8 — Cathode of Unit No. 1.

Pin 8 — Cathode of Unit No. Pin 9 — Internal Shield.

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A progressive hide and seek fox hunt will be held commencing at 1000 hours at Ashfield Park and concluding at 1600 hours on Sunday. 5th May. Be in it, it's fun!

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The Autumn Field Day held on 31st March
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VICTORIA

There were not a contracting to the contraction of superiority of f.m. reception over a.m. A lengthy discussion toda glass and considerable an

friend, or if neither of these channels are available, the final location will be held at the home of Len 3LN.

The supper arrangements will be as before, everybody bringing their own thermos of tea and small plate of cats. This has always worked out very well and saves the burden of providing supper for a large crowd by the XYIs concerned.

The ATM concerned.

Ted AAMI, own at deeling, has been buy Ted AAMI, own at deeling, has been buy vision rx and is starting to get assistance to the second of the ten of the te

vale, a distance of approximately 30 miles. Melbourne Amateurs should, keep a watch out for the Ballarst boys as there is someone bourne contacts on 2 ms. I frain 3ZBS is on every night between 8 and 8.30 p.m. beaming been working into Melbourne recently and is another one to look for. Philip 6ZAW was been working into Melbourne recently and is another one to look for. Philip 6ZAW was been working portable round as street for the contact of the contact working portable round as street on 3AOG had a visitor of interest recently in Bull ZLAKP.

The office-bearers for the V.h.f. Group have been re-elected for another term. They are President, Herb 3JO, and Secretary, Bob 3OJ,

1.000 miles. Val. Field Dry was very rec-trom March Val. Field Dry was very re-posed to the property of the property of 9 stations out portable and 6 portable stations operating on the 1 nx. band. Barry good included some with the VKSs. David 22AA, to the 1 nx. band of the property of the property of the 1 nx. band of the 1 nx. band of the David has now replaced the feedline to his band of the 1 nx. band of the 1 nx. band of the band of the 1 nx. band of the 1 nx. band of the band of the 1 nx. band of the 1 nx. band of the polarisation and the beam is usually northing west, and he would appreciate reports on these

The results of the Field Day are as follows: 1st, Reg 3ZAD, with 3,065 pts., including bonus points for the three longest contacts on 2 mx (with SCJ 288 miles, SZAM 265 miles, and 3NN 125 miles). Second was Ray 3ZAE, with 1,648 pts. which included 121 bonus points for the three longest contacts on 1 mx.—Phyl Moncur.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

News to hand that the matter of publishing predictions charts to incorporate frequencies predictions that the predictions charts to incorporate frequencies information is available from the service but not in "A.R." as yet. So keep your fingers prediction, gavice has been requested to relate the prediction ferrices has been requested to clude higher frequencies on the chart. Am awaiting reply—Ed.)

Had a wire from David SZAM on March 26 advising temp inversion ideal that day for contacts between him and Renmark at 9 plus, and gives time he would be bearing north. Though we identified and heard your carrier, we could not get any modulation from it the news this way. Had you been on as.b. we could have made it.

Talking about s.ab. on 2 mx, contacted "Cot in the contact of the

Intend to give this a go from here some day and will pass it on, in the meantime if anyone is interested will be pleased to hand on the main points.

A couple of extra frequencies to add to last month's list: Leo 5ZAG 144.53 Mc., Gordon 5XU 144.128 Mc.

Leo 5ZAG is building a new modulator to fill that envelope and then intends proceeding with a matching final to complete the issue. Dave SZAM made the grade with Col 8RO and with 3ZAD at distance of 280 miles. Good work, pity the weather map wouldn't stay still for a week or so.

Col 5CJ mainly on 2 mx those days and get-col 5CJ mainly on 2 mx those days and get-visit recently and looked the boys over. A week or to 20 KeH, 5MT and Col 8R0 et al. week or to 20 KeH, 5MT and Col 8R0 et al. success. A 3 et. beam was used from KeHth's mobile tx and by using hit home converter was 2CCW 1270 miles). Ern 5RN. Hughle 5BC, and 5CS. They haved a number of other frequen-ties. They haved a number of other frequen-was from 1030 to 2000 hours, a really success-ful show.

By the time your read this Bill 5ZAX will have his "xmas tree finished, in that a GEX is going to bo the 80 ft. fower, thence 16 cl. is going to too the 80 ft. tower, thence 16 cl. on 1 mx that will be 55 ft. up. That will really look something and should be the centre of some real smart signals on 2 and 1 mx. Good luck Bill, am anxious to hear it in use. Had a few tests from Reg with his phase mod, and by variation of audio and clipping he has got down to a balance where there is little difference between it and his former a.m. of course certain adjustments of clipping really "pegged the nose," but he doesn't use it that way.

Ray 52BM continues to get through the 25 miles to here 5×6 with a 636 final!! If he buys a QQ one of these days and gets it to work at the same frequency, it will really be worth hearing.

Rel: SZAQ, a servemer to the band, puts out quite a heaty signal on 2 mm, heven't found out about his gear yet. John SZBA is putting out an fb. signal these days, using a SZ to 12 el. beam modulated 807s pp., and for rx a SGL converter into ARV. His outht other frequencies, mixing his own modulation at the same time.

It's possible you will have beard this the outfit working as w.h.f. link to the Exhibition. At the time of writing the v.h.f. links are not in action, due to converter fault at the stand, week is out, for although they are doing a very smart job on 7 Mc, direct, it will be very smart job on 7 Mc, direct, it will be local noise level being terrific on all signals below about \$37\$ to \$83.

Haven't heard Ern 5EN lately, presume he is busy folding "vector diagrams". Don't let it get you down Ern.—5EF.

REPORTS OF LONG-DISTANCE T.V. RECEPTION REQUESTED

Norm Burton (T.V. DX fame) would be very pleased to receive reports of any long-distance t.v. reception in Australia, and offers to gather and co-relate them over the I.G.Y. Information he requests is on reception at greater distances than 200 miles, and should state: Time, date, whether sound or vision signals (or both), details of station heard, frequency, etc.

Write to Norm Burton at 43 Beaconsfield Street, Revesby, N.S.W.

DX ACTIVITY BY VK2OL†

PROPAGATION

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But if you notice something outstanding, or off prediction in conjunction with the WWV. WWYH broadcasts, by all means let me have it for inclusion. For the W/VE Contest there was quite a variation on 7 Mc. between the two week-ends. 3.3 Mc. was almost useless, which is understandable during a high m.u.f.

NEWS AND NOTES

VP5BH, Cayman Is., was in operation for approx. a week-end and has now closed again as the W operators have returned home.

VP8BK is on South Georgia (2ACX). VP8BU and LU3ZM are on the Orkneys (2ACX).

SVOWD is W4WUL and located in Crete (2ACX).

SV0WO is located in Rhodes (2ACX). VP2VG was operating from the British section of the Virgin Is, but has now closed. At the present time he is not counted as a separate country by the A.R.R.L. The W.I.A. opinion is not known, but as we follow the A.R.R.L. in general principle, the same will probably apply here.

YS10 states he has sent a QSL to all those promised, but I know many VKs who have not received a card. He has a good recording system and can tell the date of despatch, so if you are still waiting, drop him another card and

one will be sent in return Ex-ST2NG is now VS9AG in Aden and looking for VK contacts with his old regulars (2AIR).

JA phones operating in the "cw" section of the 7 Mc. band are becoming quite a problem. They are strong from not long after dusk, and it is hard to get a clear spot for a DX c.w. QSO.

For those interested in YL QSOs, KW6CM will provide another country.

There seems to be increasing com-mercial activity on 21 Mc. LX1DC is looking for VK contacts on 21 Mc.

The "nefarious art of swishing the transmitter over the band has become very prevalent of late. Much of it can be traced to the Russian stations, but it happens when the band is not open

to the U.S.S.R. QTHs OF INTEREST

VPBBI-GSI. V WKVX.

HIBAC-GSI. via WKAXI.

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Frank T. Hine, 30 Abbotsford Road, Home-bush, N.S.W.

* Call signs and prefixes worked z -zero time-G.M.T.

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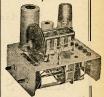
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must be some reason for taking that Type 3.

Many thanks to XYL Anon. for your con-tribution, watch for it in the column next

S.W.L. SECTION'

In case you don't know, you'll find there and from Spain across to Japan, but there doesn't seen to be many from VKI to VKS. Will from of you spayerally sty, kwik come will be the spayerally sty, kwik come you. If it's because this column's no good, well let me know and tell me what's wrong proved by your help and perticipation. Now having finished my usual (apparently ineffect-ual) monthly plug we'll get down to business.

S.W.L. OF THE MONTH

Continuing with the new feature, this mouth visit of the continuing with the new feature, this mouth VIX Group, Michael Ide, who holds the number of age, is smilloyed in the redie and electrical or age, is considered in the redie and electrical feature of the continuing the c

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NEWS FROM THE GROUPS NEWS FROM THE GROUPS

Victoria—Al the March meeting of this
Group, George 3WJ gave a talk and demonfrom the capably explained to members the operation
of a panadaptor and mentioned various uses
for the equipment. In demonstrating the gear,
rule with George's gear, he showed us various
examples such as c.w., am., ash, and frequency shift keying on the screen. Thanks
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Compiled by Ian J. Hunt, WIA-L3007, 211 St. George's Road, Northcote, N.16, Vic.

very good job in that capacity. Eighteen mem-bers were present at the meeting and we were pleased to welcome John \$ZAI, Rex Roun, Doug Clowes and Bill Forbes to the Group. We hope to see more of you in the future.

Visits to be arranged in the near future include a visit to the Dept. of Civil Aviation's installation at Essendon and a visit to one of the D.C.A. transmitting stations. Come along and participate in these activities.

The VK3 Group meets on the last Tuesda of each month at 8 p.m. at the W.I.A. Rooms 191 Queen St., Melbourne. Information regarding the Group can be obtained by writing to the address shown below or by ringing Isin Hunt at FB 0201, Ext. 305 during the day the Word a type of the Control of th

will result from this addition to his set-up.

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rare countries soon.

Seath Australia.—A short note from John
Campbell keeps us informed on VKS affairs.

By Gordon SXU on shortwave and communication receiver design which kept the boys
every interested. Several members were obterminated to the communication of the communicati

The May meeting to be held on the 20th will take the form of a visit to the studios of broadcasting station 5DN at North Adelaide.

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So once again that brings our monthly news to a close. Hope to receive lots more letters next month, so till then, I guess I'll say cheers, good listening and go and listen myself to those Ws who are really pounding in on 30 ************************

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DIVISIONAL NOTES

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The Second Triennial Conference of I.A.R.U. members in Region I. was held in Stressa, Italy, on June 12-16. H. Laett, HB9GA, was chosen as chairman of the Executive Committee for the next three years, with Arthur Milne, GZMI, continuing as Secretary and Jaques Simonnet, FSDW, elected as Treasurer.

DY ACTIVITY REPORT FROM LA.R.U. DX conditions were the best in years, resulting in tremendous activity in 1985.

In 1985, the highest number ever issued in one year, and almost double the 1985 total of 84.

Of these, 643 were for phone. There were nine of the 1985 total of 84.

S. M.C. and 23 endorsements for two-way s.b. W.A.C.

LARU. TELLS OF GAMES RELAY Under the beeding of "Olympic Games Re-lay" the LARU, has outlined the story of the successful project of the VK7 Division. The report is as follows:

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Another one for the certificate hunters is sponsered by the Liverpool and District and Control of the Control o KP4AIO, Jules, who will be better remem-ered as VP9BM for four years, advises that ny VK who missed out on a VP9BM card

may have same by writing him at Box 120. Ramey A.F.B., Puerto Rico.

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Joe WoEFK is now WoEFK/KL7 on
Shemya Island in the Aleutian chain and expects to be there some months, whilst Don
WoKLD is now WoKLD/KL7 on the arctic
coast of Alaska. Denny YEONE said he was
on the Canadian warship Bonaventure near
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As advised earlier, Bill VK2EG will be handling QSL activities for Chas. QSLs will be sent on a receipt basis and will go via Bureaux unless accompanied by I.R.C. C.w. will be the main means of contact but Chas. will use phone if required.

Dave Davies, CN2AE (ex-EKIDS and GW-3AN) advises he has worked quite a few VK stations, mainly VK4s, but up to time of writ-ing had not received any cards. As he is QSL minded he would appreciate a response. QTH is Box 51, B.P.O., Tangier.

-Ray Jones, VK3RJ, Manager.

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W.I.A. members are requested to promptly notify any change of address to their Divisional Sec-retary, not direct to "Amateur Pedie".

NEW SOUTH WALES HUNTER BRANCH

The Annual General Meeting of the Hunter The Annual General Meeting of the Hunter Branch was held on 8th March at the University of Technology, Tighes Hill, with 12 members in attendance. The Secretary, Charlie 2ARV, read the annual report in which our lecturers for the year were shown as 2ANU 2KG, 2VU, 2CS, 2ADS, 2MC, 2FX, 2AFX, J McKay and W. Spencer.

McKay and W. Spencer.

The Social Secretary's report was given by Gordon Sutherland and Bill 2XT delivered the President's report. It was announced that the LRE had invited any branch member interested to a lecture on "Thermostatic Control" on the following Friday night.

Ron Bishop, a visitor to the district, gave talk on his experiences while operating h Ham station in Ghana.

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D); Hon. Secretary, J. Lancaster (3JL);
tant Hon. Secretary, G. Robertson (3WL)

Bob 3ML made fame recently in a television roadcast over ABV Channel 2, in their hobby rogramme. Bob with all the polish of a

antenna taken across to the opposite bank then across a paddock, hence very little signal was present at the tx location. Despite this, Alf 3IE did a fine job locating the rig in short time, followed later by Roy 3ARY and Tom 3AOG. time, followed later by Roy SARY and Tom.
A newcomer noted was Evan ZAAP, who did
very well to arrive at the site at about the
hunters. We hope to see Evan with some portable gear at the next hunt, when he looks
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In July the lecturer will be Squadron Lee While, of the Ground Air Section of R.A.A.F. His lecture, illustrated with fi will cover ground to air communications other angles of R.A.A.F. radio work.

SO METRE TRANSMITTER HUNT Fifty-one persons had an enjoyable outing and picnic beside the Yarra at Heidelberg on Sunday, April 7, when Laurie 3ALY, ably assisted by Ray Price, hid the tx which was buried almost at the water's edge, and the

W.I.A. VIC. DIVISION ZONES In the Zone Map published last issue, an error appeared in the name of one of the new zones. That shown as North Western should have been the Western Zone. The accompanying corrected Zone Man is herewith WESTERN NORTH EASTERN SOUTH WESTERN

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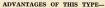
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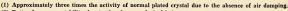
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PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT The following extracts are taken from the President's report of 1866-57 in report 1 do so with a great cell of seither as you will no doubt see the Queensland Division has had a fairly successful year. Credit for this is due to support given by many of our members throughout the year. epselaitly the willing to be congratulated on the sterling work he has done.

to be considered to the past year has shown a steady increase. Just on 50 new members, including associates, have been taken on the books, bringing the figure to a total of 207. Finance.—Our financial position, gentlemen, is rather healthy and once again reflects great credit on Charlie, our Treasurer.

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and we will see what can be done.

Activities, Plain Breach—Last year's Convention at Palm Beach was held on the Queen's

Birthelay week-end and was a great success.

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this year. Inside of Commerce Display—The Databox in conjunction with the Junior Chamber of Commerce, siaged a very interesting display of a working Amsteur Station in a lot of outside interest was shown, so much on that the Duvidon has recently been informed on that the Duvidon has recently been informed play, this time in the main vestibule of the City Hall, will be held in November, 1997,

and the whole theme of the display will centre around an Amsteur Station. To all who made last year's show possible with equipment loaned, operating rosters, and v.h.f. links, I express on behalf of the Division my heart-

felt thanks.

Arroughout the year the Division has conducted around the city some surpopular hidden tx hunts. Quite a good roll-up of v.h.f. boys have participated and as well as proved to be another way in which the boys ear get together and try out new equipment. On the conduction of the conductio

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To all who have co-operated in emergency situations and especially to Vince 4VJ as Chairman of the Emergency Committee for the work he has put into this service, I say many thanks for a job well done.

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V.h.f. Group.—The desire for bigger and better signals has prompted the design of power amplifiers excited by the existing rig and this should prove very interesting. Excursions to Maleny for 2 mx DX contacts have been made while tests between Warwick and Maryborough have been carried out with encouraging

have been carried out with encouraging result. Committee. The committee was ferrored by the Division for the purpose of assisting all naturality. We will all problems associated an advantage of the propose of a single presiston and the elimination of all agardess, and the elimination of all agardess and the elimination of all agardess with our knowledge and conscious of our with our knowledge and conscious of our modelm arrives in Queenaland we will not be belief to the constitution of the constitutio

to assist with any problems.

Inward and Outward QSL Bureaux.—The
Bureaux have functioned smoothly over the
past twelve months. The Outward Bureau
reports the number of cards handled was similar to the previous year. The Inward Bureau
experienced no difficulty and approximately
the same number was handled as in previous

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-Frank B. Bond, VK4ZM.

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Guite a lair roll-up was experienced at the unan monthly as well as the unan monthly as the series of the lair was a very excellent lecture on anisanae and feed line systems. His lecture occupied the full hour and was most informative. He has meeting as he had to leave to attend a farewell function, from which he had left to give his lecture as promised.

his lecture as promised. A.O.C.P. examination two members are to face the barrier for Z call signs. Toold like to you both! "Vern 4LK is because the control of the control 20c4 34H promised the boys if they get the 20c4 34H promised the boys if they get the with full power to prove it. It is bepet that with full power to prove it. It is bepet that with the provent of the

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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SAX was co-opted by Council to fill the vacsany following the restination of former CounT.v.I. Technical Committee: SBT (Chairman),
SFU (Sec.) SFU, SGU, SDK, SXX, SXU.

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55.CI. this point it's worthy of motion that are the Council meeting when these appointments were made and confirmed, it was necessary that prior positions or officers is declared very many of the proceeded to conduct affairs according to the proceeded to conduct affairs according to the Gordon 55VI did the broadcash, he stated that John declared all officers wascant—there are a few sladet cases pending!

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Back to the meeting, the formal business
was kept brief the to 'tender' night being
progress and to advise that consideration will
be given at an early date to the formation
prompted the idea some time back. Another
committee was formed, namy "Picnic," conNorm Collman, they being given the talk of
making recommendations to forthcoming assemble: -re he samual occasi GAJ M Will.

semblies re the annual social day. W. MitNew members accepted were M. 7. W. MitSee M. 1. W. M. 1. W. M.
See M. 1. W Two other young members soon we hope in illen Hutt who made the full ticket, and olin Luke—limited.

"Buy and Sell" did not attract as much attention as usual, or the mood wasn't there, anyway Dougal and Norm worked hard and cleared the deck on time.

The emergency net is at long last taking shape, and following conferences lasting over quite a while with Police, Radio Branch, and E.F.S., a scheme and net has been established

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SOUTH EASTERN DISTRICTS

Our sympathy to Claude 5CH in his be-reavement. His father passed away late in March after a short illness. Erg SKU has managed 10 new countries on 14 Mc. c.w. He has been fairly active so deserved them. Stewart ShS mainly on 10 and 15 mx and also working some new ones. Tom STW has built himself a new modulator, so let's hear it old man. The only other hews from that way mostly re v.h.f. which is re-

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

At the Divisional meeting for March, 6RU gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on his W3DZZ beam, and Mr. Gordon lectured and showed slides of Central and Northern

Australia. He was in charge of the sound recording on the film "Jedda". In the absence of any new nominations, the existing Council: 6RU, 6FT, 6TP, 6BE, 6MK, 6AG and 6KW, are carrying on. Milo Lacey, ex-V&GMX, is now in U.S.A. and has the call sign WeDUP.

We were pleased to see Dave W2APF in VKS again and hope he enjoyed his brief stay and wish him happy landings on the rest of bits trief.

Sorry to have so little news this month chaps, but as usual radio takes a back seat are almost deserted temporarily, and even the DX bands have not been the best lately over this side. However, there are almost signs of increased activity on 80 and 40 mx, so I hope to gather more news next month.

TASMANIA

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NORTH WESTERN ZONE Judging by the reports received, a very suc-cessful Annual General Meeting was held in Hobart, followed by the Dinner. It is with some distress that I have to report that our Secretary has been in trouble like to make public, so don't go and spread it around. I saw our Secretary, Sid 757, standing on the steps of the Court House laughing on the steps of the Court House laughing fore, it was with some sorrow that I learnt that Sid had committed the crime of parking across a laneway. Boyf was he furfous at being caught. Says he was only Theme about a phalm of the standard of t Our President, Jim 7JO, reports that sigs are coming through well, in fact I the one-eyed monster myself in Burnie other night. Fair bit of snow with it, th sound was good.

Also have a report of the second field day.

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scrub on the wrong side of the Foad.
Ted TEJ eventually found Dennis, nearly
drove his car over the top of him, I believe,
and then after getting his car stuck, got the
other boys to help him out, and they still
didn't see Dennis.

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